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SUBJECT: ICELAND-UK FISHERIES DISPUTE: NEW UK RAMMING ALLEGED

1. COAST GUARD CLAIMS ONE OF ITS SHIPS, THE BALDUR, WAS RAMMED BY
BRITISH FRIGATE DIOMEDE AFTERNOON MARCH 10 IN DISPUTED WATERS 31
MILES FROM SHORE. EARLIER, ACCORDING TO COAST GUARD, DIOMEDE AND
ANOTHER UK WARSHIP MADE 22 UNSUCCESSFUL HIGH-SPEED ATTEMPTS TO RAM
BALDUR. CAPTAIN OF BALDUR REPORTED THAT NUMBER AND VELOCITY OF
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PRIOR ATTEMPTS PROVED MALICIOUS INTENT OF BRITISH. ICELANDIC

VESSEL WAS "SOMEWHAT" DAMAGED, BUT THERE WERE NO CASUALTIES.

2. ALLEGED RAMMING WAS FIRST REPORTED IN ALMOST TWO WEEKS
THOUGH COAST GUARD HAS, IN INTERVENING PERIOD, ANNOUNCED SEVERAL
RAMMING EFFORTS BY UK SHIPS.

3. IN RELATED DEVELOPMENT, THIS MORNING'S PAPERS GIVE PROMINENT
COVERAGE TO REPORTS FROM UK OF COMPLAINTS BY BRITISH TRAWLERSMEN
OVER ICELANDIC COAST GUARD HARASSMENT. THEY WARN THAT THEY WILL
TAKE MATTERS INTO OWN HANDS IF THEY FAIL TO GET ADEQUATE
PROTECTION.
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